

House Resolution No. 603

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, sixty years ago on February 17, 1944, Irving "Pete" Crawford took the hand of his beautiful bride, Dona Steinke, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony in Belvidere, Illinois; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Pete and Dona Crawford have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Carol and John Waggoner of Abilene, Texas, Tim and Lagenia Crawford of Janesville, Wisconsin, Nancy Stedman of Belvidere, Illinois, and Peter and Debra Crawford of South Beloit, Illinois; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, now retired, Pete Crawford is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors as a farmer; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Dona Crawford offered her children boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways and enabled them to become responsible citizens with families of their own; and

Whereas, Pete and Dona Crawford have enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes over the past sixty years, some of which include restoring and showing old two cylinder John Deere Tractors, making graft items for family members, and traveling to Arizona for the winter; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, residents of Madison, will commemorate the glorious occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a balloon ride and champagne toast later in the spring of 2004:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Pete and Dona Crawford for their tremendous success in achieving sixty years of wedded bliss and in wishing them many happy and rewarding years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Irving Crawford, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Therese Sander
District No. 22

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 603, adopted February 17, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker